

## AGAINST DIRECT VOTE

Minority of Judiciary Committee on Popular Election of Senators.

## ROOT OPPOSES AMENDMENT

Says Abuses Which Have Led to Its Proposal Can Be Cured by Simple Legislation.

(From The Tribune Bureau.)

Washington, May 22.—The views of the minority of the members of the Committee on Judiciary opposed to the House resolution providing for the direct election of Senators in the form in which it was reported to the Senate were presented to-day by Senator Sutherland.

The report, signed by Senators Root, Clark, Nelson, Dillingham, Branderup, and Sutherland, formulated objections to the proposed amendment in so far as it takes from Congress all supervisory power over the times, places and manner of holding the elections, and makes the state supreme in this respect.

In a supplementary report Senators Root, Dillingham and Branderup declare opposition to the entire amendment, expressing the opinion that "the change would be injurious rather than beneficial, and that the abuses which have led to the proposal of the amendment can be obviated by a simple act of legislation without any amendment to the Constitution."

It is probable that the view of the minority of the Committee on Judiciary will prevail in the Senate, and that the resolution will be modified by the adoption of the Sutherland amendment, which, in effect, eliminates the question of the times, manners and places of holding the elections and confines the proposed change simply to the method of electing Senators. In this form the resolution will probably pass the Senate, but its fate in conference is problematical.

The minority report leaves the question of direct elections and deals entirely with that of supervision, which is declared to be the more important feature of the House election resolution which is now before the Senate on a report from the majority of the Judiciary Committee.

The subject is presented from many points of view, but is fairly summarized in the first exception, in which it is contended that there is no reason why the ultimate authority of the national government over the times and manner of electing Senators by direct popular vote should not continue to be exercised just as it always has been exercised over the direct election of representatives by popular vote.

The exercise of that national power over the popular election of representatives meets now," it is argued, "with no objection, and, under the proposed amendment, is to continue. The proposed change from legislative election of Senators to popular election of Senators furnishes no reason whatever for destroying the ultimate power of control over the election of Senators which the national Congress now has under the Constitution."

Contention also is made that possession of the power which it is proposed to strike out is essential to enable the national government to act effectively in case it should ever have occasion to enforce the provisions of the Fourteenth and Fifteenth amendments to the Constitution.

"The basis of any enforcement of these provisions must necessarily be the ascertainment and establishment of the facts in respect of the elections to which they may relate," says the report. "The proposed amendment, if adopted, would be the latest expression of the sovereign will of the people of the United States, and would take away from the national government authority to make those regulations regarding elections which are essential to the preservation of evidence regarding what actually occurs."

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**MR. CARNEGIE WILL TESTIFY**

Tells House Steel Committee He Will Appear Voluntarily.

Washington, May 22.—Andrew Carnegie has informed the House "steel trust" investigating committee that he is willing to appear before it, and that no subpoena or legal document is necessary to insure his presence in Washington when testified.

Mr. Carnegie called Representative Stanley of Kentucky, chairman of the committee, over the long-distance telephone. A subpoena which had been issued for Mr. Carnegie was destroyed. The committee has not yet fixed a date for the hearing.

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**MURRAY REMAINS CONTROLLER**

Declines Bank Presidency, and Will Fill Out His Term.

Washington, May 22.—Lawrence O. Murray, Controller of the Currency, to-day declined the presidency of the First National Bank of Pittsburgh. He announced that he would serve out his term as Controller, which expires in 1913. Mr. Murray said he did not want to lay down his work in the middle of his term. The offer made to him by the Pittsburgh bank is said to have been an attractive one. It is reported that some other Treasury official may be offered the place.

Pittsburgh, May 22.—Cesar L. Tellier, chief of the Division of Receipts in the office of the Controller of the Currency, was elected president of the First National Bank of this city to-day. Mr. Tellier was recommended by Mr. Murray for the office after the latter decided to remain in Washington after his term as controller had ended. He is becoming president of the Pittsburgh bank. Mr. Tellier was born in Cleveland and is a graduate of the University of Colorado. He has been in the office of the Controller of the Currency for four years.

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**BIDDING FOR PANAMA BONDS**

Washington Estimates the Probable Average Price of Issue at 100 1/2.

Washington, May 22.—Bids for the \$50,000 issue of 3 per cent Panama bonds are arriving at the Treasury. All bids will be opened on June 15, one month from the day the issue was announced.

"Fake" bids from so-called practical jokers making ridiculous offers are received at the rate of a dozen a day.

Treasury officials believe that the popular bids have not had time to come in yet, and expect a great quantity of them. Estimates of the probable average price of the issue now centre around 100%.

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**WASHINGTTONIANS KEEP COOL**

Despite the fact that this torrid wave is keeping the mercury close to the 100 mark, there is one class of Washingtonians who are keeping cool. They are the Washington merchants, up and down whose spines the cold chills run, regardless of the temperature. Not only has Victor Berger, the Socialist member of Congress, introduced a bill making it a penal offence for any manufacturer or mercantile establishment in the District of Columbia to keep any personal employee at work more than eight hours a day or more than forty-eight hours a week, but now a prominent member of Congress contemplates introducing a resolution providing for an investigation of all Washington business houses to determine how long they work their employees and what wages they pay. This grows out of the fact that many merchants and others have participated in the movement to compel Congress to increase the wages of the

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**STATEHOOD VOTE TO-DAY**

Constitutions of New Mexico and Arizona May Be Resubmitted.

(From The Tribune Bureau.)

Washington, May 22.—Permitting members of the House to-day rounded out the fifth day of the debate on the New Mexico and Arizona statehood resolution. To the relief of everybody a vote will be taken to-morrow afternoon, when the House probably will order the prospective constitutions of each of these territories resubmitted to the people for amendment. New Mexico is requested to make her constitution more amendable and Arizona is given a hint to eliminate the recall of judges, disapproved by the President and by most of the Republicans and quite a few of the more conservative Democrats.

Representative Mann, of the faithful few who remained in the chamber, appeared in a gauntlet creation of pongee; Representative Helms temporarily laid away his cream colored tweed for a suit of flimsy brown and Chairman Flood, in charge of the bill, who was lost once or twice when some member sat down without using all of his time, aroused envy by a display of thin flannels, as did Representative Sherley.

Nearly every orator had something to say about the "Stars and Stripes," the "starry flag," a storied and complicated Union and two added stars emblemated abhor the sky. Occasionally the initiative referendum and recall came in for a rap, and charges were bandied back and forth that politics had prevented the two states from entering the Union heretofore.

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**FOR INCREASE IN PENSIONS**

House Committee Approves Bill That May Entail Cost of \$38,000,000.

Washington, May 22.—An agreement to favorably report the Sherman bill as a service pension bill, affecting half a million old soldiers in the country, was reached at a meeting of the House Committee on Invalid Pensions to-night. The vote was 7 to 2.

The bill is estimated to involve a total cost of approximately \$38,000,000. The Sherman bill is along entirely different lines from the Sillaway and Anderson age pension bills.

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**WESLEYAN STUDENTS REBUKED**

Irreverent Attitude in Chapel Arouses President Shanklin.

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)

Middletown, Conn., May 22.—Angered by a series of disorderly actions at morning chapel, President Shanklin of Wesleyan University administered a stinging rebuke to students of that institution to-day. The culminating incident which aroused the ire of the president occurred to-day when, on the announcement of the hymn, only half the college body arose. Noticing this, President Shanklin, hymn book in hand, left the platform and ordered the students to arise.

At the close of the service the president said the conduct of certain students had been a source of annoyance for some time, and the incident which occurred a few days ago, when one of the members of the faculty was struck by a piece of biscuit, was particularly aggravating.

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**TO OPERATE ON C. B. LOOMIS.**

(By Telegram to The Tribune.)

Hartford, Conn., May 22.—Charles Battell Loomis, humorist and author, who has been in poor health for several months at his home, in Torrington, three miles east of Torrington, Conn., will be brought to this city to-morrow, and will be operated on at the Hartford Hospital on Wednesday. This will be the third operation within four months for a malady which is within his physicians. He will be attended by two specialists in consultation during the operation this week, and though his present condition is serious and the operation dangerous the doctors declare it is his only hope for ultimate recovery.

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**FISHERIES BILL PASSED.**

Washington, May 22.—A bill giving effect to the fisheries treaty of 1898 between the United States and Great Britain was passed by the Senate to-day.

The measure prescribes the size of nets and otherwise regulates the taking of fish from the northern boundary waters of the United States. The new regulations do not go into effect until next January. The bill has not yet passed the House.

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**THE ROAD**

by Harry P. Mawson

A chatty, informing article about the troubles of travelling actors. How Lillian Russell took the crowd away from a circus, is one of the entertaining bits.

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**OUR ILLUSTRATED SONG**

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